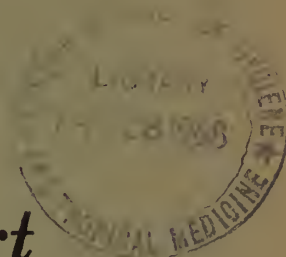


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BOROUGH OF HARWICH



Annual Report

FOR 1960

OF THE

**Medical Officer of Health
& Public Health Inspector**

BOROUGH OF HARWICH

CONSTITUTION OF THE COUNCIL AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1960.

MAYOR: COUNCILLOR SIDNEY CHARLES SIMMONS, J.P.

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ALDERMEN: CANN, Johnson Ernest, J.P.

* GREEN, Clarence Arthur.

SMITH, Arthur John.

WEAVER, Leonard Thomas, B.A.

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* FARROW, Samuel Robert Charles.

GANT, Ernest.

* GOCHIN, Harry, J.P.

* HARPER, George Gordon Ridgway.

MOLES, Arthur Cyril.

NOSELEY, Dennis James.

ROLLAND, Oliver Dart, O.B.E.

SIMMONS, Sidney Charles (Mayor)

STOOKE, Arthur Geoffrey Barrett.

* SUTHERLAND, Christopher Bell.

* THORN, Albert John.

CHAIRMAN HEALTH COMMITTEE: COUNCILLOR ERNEST GANT.

* Members of Health Committee.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFICERS:

Medical Officer of Health: J. ROLAND HETHERINGTON,
L.R.C.P. & S.E., L.R.F.P.,
& S.G., D.P.H.

Public Health Inspector: A. E. PRICE, Cert. R.S.I.,
& S.I.J.E.B.



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TO THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND COUNCILLORS OF THE
BOROUGH OF HARWICH.

Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Annual Report for 1960 is presented herewith for your perusal.
This is prepared in accordance with Ministry of Health Circular 1/61.

Section A relating to the Statistical and Social conditions of the area, Section B describing the provisions for Health Services, and Section F dealing with Notifiable Infectious diseases, are written by the Medical Officer of Health. Section C which describes the Sanitary conditions of the area, Section D which deals with Housing, and Section E which concerns Food Inspections, are the work of the Public Health Inspector.

The delay in the production of the report is due to the pressure of other work, particularly connected with Poliomyelitis vaccinations.

It gives me much pleasure to record the help given by Members of the Council, and also the assistance from the Area Health Committee, the Hospital Board and similar bodies. Likewise, I wish to place on record the help and co-operation of the Officials of the Borough and the continued support of the members of the Health Department.

I am,
Your obedient Servant,

J. ROLAND HETHERINGTON

Medical Officer of Health

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
TOWN HALL,
HARWICH.

Telephone: HARWICH 811.

August, 1961

ANNUAL REPORT

1960

SECTION A

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

The area of the Borough is	...	...	...	1,512 acres.
Population (estimated mid-year 1960)	...	...	...	13,850
Number of Dwelling Houses	...	...	...	4,581
Rateable Value	...	...	...	£152,038
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	...	...	...	£607-18-1d.

BIRTHS AND INFANT MORTALITY

Live Births	...	...	105(M)	99(F)	Total:	204
Rate per 1,000 population	...	...	...	...	...	14.72
" " " "			Corrected	...	...	14.42
(Comparability Factor 0.98)						
Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total live births						2.45
Still Births	...	...	1(M)	3(F)	Total:	4
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births						19.23
Total Live and Still Births	...	...	...	...	...	208
Infant Deaths (deaths under 1 year)	2(M)	1(F)	Total:	3		
Infant Mortality Rates						
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births						14.7
Legitimate " " " " legitimate live births						15.08
Neo-natal Mortality Rate (Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births	...	...	...	...	...	9.8
Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births)	...	...	...	...	...	9.8
Perinatal Mortality Rate (still births and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live & still births)						28.8
Maternal Mortality (Including abortion)						
Number of deaths	...	...	...	...	...	nil.
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	...	...	...	...	...	nil.

TABLE 1

INFANTILE MORTALITY, 1960

Causes of Death	Did not Survive one week	Lived over one week but less than four weeks	Survived one month, died under one year	TOTAL
Prematurity	1	-	-	1
Birth Injuries	-	-	-	-
Malformations	1	-	1	2
Bronchitis and Pneumonia	-	-	-	-
Gastro Enteritis	-	-	-	-
Other Causes	-	-	-	-
TOTAL:	2	-	1	3

2. DEATH RATE

M.

F.

TOTAL

Deaths during the year	...	...	81	76	...	...	157
Crude death rate per 1,000 estimated population	...	...	...	...	...	...	11.34
Corrected death rate	...	...	...	...	...	...	11.90
(Comparability factor 1.05)							

The principal causes of death during the year were:-

Diseases of Blood and Circulatory System	...	...	96
(17, 18, 19, 20 and 21)			
Cancer, all forms	...	...	26
(10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15)			
Respiratory Diseases (excluding Tuberculosis)	...	...	11
(23, 24 and 25)			
Tuberculosis, all forms	...	...	2

These groups together account for more than 85% of the deaths in the Borough.

TABLE II

Deaths at various ages during 1960

Under 1 year	...	...	...	3
1 and under 2	...	...	...	-
2 and under 5	...	...	...	-
5 and under 15	...	...	...	-
15 and under 25	...	...	...	-
25 and under 35	...	...	...	-
35 and under 45	...	...	...	8
45 and under 55	...	...	...	9
55 and under 65	...	...	...	34
65 and under 75	...	...	...	40
75 and under 85	...	...	...	49
85 and upwards	...	...	...	14
				<u>157</u>

TABLE III

Causes of Death						M	F	TOTAL
1	Tuberculosis, respiratory	...	...	...	...	1	1	2
2	Tuberculosis, other	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
3	Syphilitic disease	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
4	Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
5	Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
6	Meningococcal infections	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
7	Acute Poliomyelitis	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
8	Measles	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
9	Other infective and parasitic diseases	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
10	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	...	...	...	...	2	1	3
11	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	...	...	...	...	5	1	6
12	Malignant neoplasm, breast	...	...	...	...	-	2	2
13	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
14	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	...	...	...	...	6	8	14
15	Leukaemia, aleukaemia	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
16	Diabetes	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
17	Vascular lesions of nervous system	...	...	...	...	8	19	27
18	Coronary disease, angina	...	...	...	...	23	18	41
19	Hypertension with heart disease	...	...	...	...	2	2	4
20	Other heart disease	...	...	...	...	9	10	19
21	Other circulatory disease	...	...	...	...	3	2	5
22	Influenza	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
23	Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
24	Bronchitis	...	...	...	...	5	1	6
25	Other diseases of respiratory system	...	...	...	...	4	-	4
26	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	...	...	...	...	1	1	2
27	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
28	Nephritis and nephrosis	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
29	Hyperplasia of prostate	...	...	...	...	2	-	2
30	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
31	Congenital malformations	...	...	...	...	2	-	2
32	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	...	...	...	...	4	4	8
33	Motor vehicle accidents	...	...	...	...	1	-	1
34	All other accidents	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
35	Suicide	...	...	...	...	3	-	3
36	Homicide and operations of war	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
						81	76	157

TABLE IV

Vital Statistics (1959 and 1960)

	England and Wales		Essex		Harwich	
	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
Birth Rate (a)	16.5	17.1	15.9	16.4	17.66	14.42
Death Rate (a)	11.6	11.5	10.4	10.0	11.98	11.90
I.M. Rate (b)	22.0	21.7	20.0	18.6	12.1	14.7

(a) Per 1,000 civilian population

(b) Per 1,000 live births

TABLE V

Vital Statistics for 1960 and certain previous years

Year	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Infant Mortality Rate
1930	16.9	10.3	48.5
1935	16.4	10.1	47.8
1940	15.26	12.67	42.45
1945	21.78	12.45	36.86
1950	15.3	9.1	8.1
1955	15.1	8.68	23.59
1956	18.78	11.14	23.08
1957	16.87	13.14	27.91
1958	15.12	12.38	4.71
1959	17.66	11.98	12.1
1960	14.42	11.90	14.7

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

(a) Staffing

- (1) The Medical Officer of Health for the Borough holds a similar appointment with the Harwich Port Health Authority. In addition, he is School Medical Officer and an assistant County Medical Officer to the Essex County Council, and V.D. Medical Officer to North East Metropolitan Hospital Board. Furthermore, he holds the appointment of Medical Inspector of Aliens.
- (2) The Public Health Inspector carries out all the duties under the various statutes, including inspections under the Housing Acts, Shops Act 1950, and Rat and Mice (Destruction Act) 1919.

(b) Laboratory Facilities

Pathological specimens are dealt with at the Laboratory, Essex County Hospital, Colchester.

Samples of water are sent to the Counties Health Laboratories, Victoria Street, London, S.W.1., for chemical analysis. Other samples of food, ice-cream, etc., are dealt with at the Public Health Laboratory, Woodbridge Road, Ipswich.

(c) Health Services provided by the Essex County Council acting as Local Health Authority

(1) Ante Natal Clinic

Number of expectant mothers attending	170
Number of attendances	180
Confinements at home	41
Confinements at Hospital	163
Stillbirths	4
Harwich Maternity Unit (Total Confinements)	199

(2) Midwives and District Nurses

A satisfactory liaison has been maintained with the District Nurses and Midwives on the Staff of the County Council.

(3) Infant Welfare Clinics

Harwich Clinic:	Children attending	266
	Attendances made	1,695
Dovercourt Clinic:	Children attending	245
	Attendances made	1,634

The welcome assistance given by voluntary helpers at both the Local Authority Clinics has continued throughout the year, and their valuable service is much appreciated.

During the year infant foods were supplied at reduced prices as follows:-

Proprietary Brands of Dried Milk	2,106 pkts.
Cereal Foods	420 pkts.
Other Foods	809 pkts.

In addition, simple medicaments were supplied (where necessary free of cost), including proprietary vitamin preparations (Adexolin, Bemax, Cod Liver Oil Emulsion, etc.). Some of these were also available for children of school age.

With regard to Welfare Foods (i.e. those formerly supplied by the Ministry of Food), these were available at the Infant Welfare Clinics and also at the area Health Sub-Office, 259 Main Road, Dovercourt. In addition these were obtainable at the W.V.S. Centre, 280 High Street, Dovercourt.

During the year Welfare Foods distributed comprised:-

	<u>L.H.A. Clinics etc. (3 sessions per week)</u>	<u>W.V.S. Centre (8 sessions per week)</u>	<u>Total</u>
National Dried Milk	1,586	2,307	3,893
Cod Liver Oil	381	567	948
Orange Juice	3,425	4,713	8,138
Vitamin Tablets	210	590	800

There is thus a reduction of some 22% in the Dried Milks sold either at the Welfare Clinics or W.V.S. Centre. This reduction is probably largely accounted for by increases in sales through the chemists in the town.

The issue of Vitamin preparations is still much lower than is desirable and there is regrettable evidence that many parents do not appreciate the necessity for giving the vitamin preparations to their children.

(4) Health Visiting

The Staffing difficulties continued throughout the year. In spite of this it was possible to maintain a reasonably satisfactory service.

(5) Home Helps

This service has continued throughout the year. At present there are about 33 registered Home Helps in the Borough.

(6) Provision of nursing equipment and apparatus

This most welcome service is undertaken by the Joint Committee of the British Red Cross Society and the St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

(7) Vaccination and Immunisation (Figures for 1959 shown in brackets)

(a) Vaccination against Smallpox:

Primary Injection	L.H.A.	42	Total 128 (162)
	G.P.	<u>86</u>	
Re-Vaccination	L.H.A.	3	Total 10 (4)
	G.P.	<u>7</u>	

(b) Immunisation against Diphtheria and Whooping Cough:

1. Diphtheria

Primary Injection	L.H.A.	137	Total 257 (218)
	G.P.	<u>120</u>	
Boosters	L.H.A.	417	Total 424 (427)
	G.P.	<u>7</u>	

2. Whooping Cough

Primary Injection	L.H.A.	78	Total 116 (116)
	G.P.	<u>38</u>	
Boosters	L.H.A.	-	Total - (2)
	G.P.	-	

(c) Vaccination against Tuberculosis:

This was again offered to children of 13 years of age.

Number of children to whom offered	790
Accepted	528
Mantoux tested and found negative	460
Received B.C.G. Vaccination	456

The apparent increase in the number of children to whom vaccination was offered is due to a re-adjustment in the age group.

(d) Vaccination against Poliomyelitis:

Protective vaccination against Poliomyelitis is available to all persons over the age of six months, including expectant mothers. Persons over the age of 40 can receive their vaccination only through the family doctor, but in the case of others the injections have been given by the Local Authority. (It is intended that a fourth injection should be given to children on reaching the age of five years.)

Statistics for the year 1960 are:-

	<u>Received two injections</u>	<u>Received third injection</u>
Born 1943 or later	328	808
Born 1933 - 1942	93	505
Born 1920 - 1932	335	10
Expectant mothers	91	125
Others	9	8

(8) Ambulance Service

The Ambulance Service continues to function from the new station at River View, on the western border of the Borough, where two vehicles (one for stretcher cases and one for sitting cases) are maintained. In addition to other ambulances from adjacent towns, considerable use is made of the Volunteer Car Service, a much appreciated body of helpers who give many hours of service, often at short notice.

(9) School Health Service

During the year the following children were examined:-

Routine Medical Examination	892
Special Examination	161
Follow-up Examination	567
Number attending the School Clinic	218

In addition many visits were paid to various schools in the area by the School Medical Officer, or Health Visitor/School Nurse.

The nutrition of the children in general showed the same satisfactory level as in previous years.

The services of the Dental Clinic have been maintained satisfactorily throughout the year. There seems to be little chance of increasing the number of sessions.

The Speech Therapy sessions continued throughout the year, as also did the clinics conducted by the Hospital Board - Ophthalmic, Orthopaedic and Physiotherapy. In addition a number of children had to be referred to the Child Guidance Clinic at Colchester. The establishment of a similar Clinic in Harwich would be a great benefit, both to the children concerned and to parents and others.

(10) Nursery Schools

There is one privately owned Nursery School in the Borough.

(d) Health Services provided by the Hospital Board

(1) Harwich and District Hospital Board

This is a G.P. Hospital, containing some 30 beds. Consultant Physicians and Surgeons attend the Hospital at specified times. The Maternity Unit attached to this Hospital, which was opened on the 15th October, 1959, has fully justified all the efforts which were made to secure the provision of this much appreciated amenity.

(2) Infectious diseases

Any cases of smallpox occurring in the Borough would be admitted to hospital at Ipswich where there is "first line accommodation available". Should beds not be available at Ipswich, cases could be accommodated at Myland Hospital, Colchester.

(3) Tuberculosis Service

The Chest Physician attends twice a month at the Chest Clinic, 259, Main Road, Dovercourt, otherwise patients and contacts are seen at the Chest Clinic at Colchester.

(4) Venereal Disease

This service has been continued throughout the year.

(5) Tuberculosis Service - Mass Miniature Radiography

The fifth-biennial campaign was undertaken during the year.
The number of persons examined was:-

	1957 TOTAL	1960			
		Miniature Mass X-Ray	Recalled		Chest Clinic
			Large X-Ray	Investi- gation	
British Railways	639	694	21	2	1
Bernards	235	271	3	1	1
Various	536	696	27	3	3
Public	809	868	19	-	-
Doctors' Cases	1	2	-	-	-
Schools	540	270	5	1	-
	2,760	2,801	75	7	5

These figures suggest that the response is about the same as on previous occasions. The smaller number of cases from the Schools is due to the fact that only children who had attained the age of 15 years were eligible.

SECTION C.

SANITARY CONDITIONS

1. WATER SUPPLY

Water is supplied to the whole of the Borough by the Tendring Hundred Waterworks Company. This water is issued by their Pumping Station at Dedham. The following are some interesting figures supplied by the Company:-

The quantity of water supplied to the Harwich district (which includes the parishes of Ramsey and Lt. Oakley for bulk metering purposes), in the 12 months ended 31st December, 1960, amounting to 214.095 million gallons, an average daily consumption of 0.585 million gallons, with a peak of 0.727 million gallons.

The total quantity taken for domestic purposes during the year was 167.284 million gallons, an average daily consumption of 0.457 million gallons. The total amount taken through trade meters was 46.811 million gallons, an average daily consumption of 0.128 million gallons.

The total number of connections (domestic and trade) made during the year to the Company's mains in Harwich district amounted to 86 making a total number of 5,531 connections on the 31st December, 1960.

Approximately 668 yards of new mains of 4" and 6" diameter have been laid in the Harwich district during the year.

Some 930 yards of 2" and 3" diameter mains were descaled in the Lee Road area of Dovercourt, which resulted in an improvement in the supply.

DEDHAM WORKS - WATER ANALYSES

Chemical Results in Parts per Million

	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
Colour	4	Nil
PH.	7.7	7.5
Electric Conductivity	900	810
Chlorine present as Chloride	140	116

		<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
Hardness:	Total	290	275
	Carbonate	270	255
	Non-Carbonate	35	10
Nitrate Nitrogen		0.2	0.0
Ammoniacal Nitrogen		0.39	0.18
Albuminoid Nitrogen		0.00	0.00
Metals (Iron)		0.25	0.03
Turbidity	less than	3	Nil
Odour	faint chlorinous		Nil
Free Carbon Dioxide		17	7
Total solids		590	520
Alkalinity as Calcium Carbonate		270	255
Nitrite Nitrogen	Approx.	0.01	Absent
Oxygen absorbed		0.30	0.00
Residual Chlorine		0.17	Nil.

BACTERIOLOGICAL RESULTS

		<u>1 day at 37° C.</u>	<u>2 days at 37° C.</u>	<u>3 days at 20° C.</u>
No. of Colonies developing on Agar.	Minimum	0 per ml.	0 per ml.	0 per ml.
	Maximum	1 per ml.	1 per ml.	12 per ml.
		<u>Present in</u>	<u>Absent from</u>	<u>Probable No.</u>
Presumptive Coli- aerogenes Reaction		- ml.	100 ml.	0 per ml.
Bact. coli (Type 1)		- ml.	100 ml.	0 per ml.
Cl. welchii Reaction		- ml.	100 ml.	

REMARKS

These samples are practically clear and bright in appearance have a reaction on the alkaline side of neutrality and are free from metals apart from a minute trace of iron. The water is hard in character but its hardness and its content of mineral and saline constituents in solution are not excessive. It conforms to the highest standard of organic quality and bacterial purity.

These results are indicative of a water which is pure and wholesome in character and suitable for public supply purposes.

All samples were analysed by the Counties Public Health Laboratories.

The above facts and figures have been provided by the courtesy of W. A. Burrows, Esq., M.I.Mech.E., M.I.W.E., Chief Engineer to the Tendring Hundred Waterworks Company.

2. SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

Water Closets	5,746
Pail Closets	12
Houses with Cesspool drainage	39

Further reductions were made during the year in the number of properties in The Drive, with Cesspool drainage, and it is hoped that during the coming year the whole of The Drive will be connected to the sewer. The properties then remaining with Cesspools are so situated as to make it impossible to connect them to any drainage system.

3. SCAVENGING

Household and other refuse is collected weekly, (together with all types of salvage) by direct labour. The time taken to collect some is gradually increasing, due to the increase in the number of new dwellings, which since the war amounts to 991 private and Council houses. These are generally well set back from the highway, thus increasing the time taken to collect the refuse.

Disposal is by Controlled Tipping, and during the year Controlled Tipping at the western end of Dovercourt Beach was completed. In future Controlled Tipping will be carried out to the north of the Cemetery at Upper Dovercourt, and it would now appear that this area will now have to be tipped over at all times. This is owned by the Corporation, and it should be emphasized that it has a very limited life, and there should be no delay in obtaining further land for use as a Controlled Tip. The land immediately to the east of Parkeston Road was the subject of an enquiry.

The content of household refuse continues to change, becoming more and more bulky with less ash content, due to the changing habits of the public, both with regard to food and domestic heating.

During the year under review there were collected the bulk of the contents, furniture, bedding, utensils, etc., of 90 premises, many of these being the unwanted chattels of deceased elderly people, and others due to the refurnishing of homes.

PROVISION OF COVERED DUSTBINS

During the year Sect. 75 of the Public Health Act 1936 was maintained, whereby the Local Authority could provide and maintain dustbins for an annual charge of 7/6d. per annum. The total number supplied to-date being 198. It is noticeable that with the provision of these bins, especially in Harwich, where all the bins are placed outside overnight, the amount of litter is now markedly reduced.

UNCONTROLLED DUMPING

Wanton dumping on vacant plots is a habit so ingrained in certain members of the population that it would appear to be with us forever. It must be emphasized that this Borough maintains an adequate Refuse Disposal Service and ALL RESIDENTS should be aware that this Authority will at any time make a special collection of any household refuse of a bulky nature such as old furniture, bedding, etc., but not of garden waste or building debris. Much garden refuse which is dumped on vacant sites could be composted (even in the smallest garden) and returned to the soil.

SALVAGE

The following is the weight of salvage collected and sold during the year, and the figures for 1959 are shown for comparison:-

	<u>1959</u>				<u>1960</u>			
	Tons	Cwts.	£	s. d.	Tons	Cwts.	£	s. d.
Waste Paper	83	$-\frac{1}{4}$	680	9 1	72	2	607	18 6
Metals	1	$9\frac{1}{2}$	79	10 4		$12\frac{1}{2}$	69	13 4
Rags and Sackings	6	$5\frac{3}{4}$	104	15 4	7	$18\frac{1}{2}$	125	9 4
	<u>90</u>	<u>$15\frac{1}{2}$</u>	<u>£864</u>	<u>14 9</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>£803</u>	<u>1 2</u>

Good prices are still to be obtained for Waste Paper, Rags and Metals, and it would appear that a sound regular market will be found for Waste Paper for some years to come. Should at any time the outlet for Waste Paper stop, then careful consideration would have to be given with regard to the incineration of paper, as excessive amounts can cause some difficulty with Controlled Tipping.

4. DISINFECTION

The steam disinfecting plant at the Old Isolation Hospital Depot was used 55 times and in addition 32 premises were disinfected after infectious disease or other complaints.

5. PEST DESTRUCTION

During the year 658 rats were trapped (in addition to rats poisoned). 83 Wasp Nests were destroyed.

6. SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

<u>Nature of Inspection</u>	<u>Total Visits</u>
1. Drainage	32
2. Housing Inspection (including Slum Clearance)	36
3. Tenancy Applications	51
4. Rat and Mice Destruction	27
5. Food Inspections	106
6. Bakehouses	12
7. Factories	41
8. Disinfections	55

TABLE VI

FACTORIES ACT - INSPECTIONS

Premises	No. on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occps. Prosct.
1. Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority.	34	22	-	-
2. Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	12	12	-	-
3. Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority* (excl. outworkers' premises.)	12	12	-	-
	58	46	-	-

*i.e. Electrical Station (Section 103 (1)). Institutions (Section 104) and sites of building Operations and Works of Engineering Construction (Section 107 and 108).

SECTION D

HOUSING

Erection of New Houses

The following table covers the period from cessation of hostilities:-

	1946 to 1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	TOTAL
<u>Erected by Council</u>								
Houses	382	35	2	2	-	-	-	421
Flats	78	43	4	4	-	-	-	129
<u>Erected by Private Enterprise</u>								
Houses	119	79	50	60	41	41	48	438
Flats	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3
	<u>579</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>991</u>

It is to be regretted that landlords of houses let do not take advantage of the facilities available for grants towards improvements to older houses, i.e., provision of bathrooms etc., especially as tenants 'by and large' maintain and decorate their homes to a very good standard.

SECTION E

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. FOOD PREMISES

(a) Food Premises in the area:-

Bakers and Confectioners	5
Butchers	11
Confectioners and Tobacconists	3
Cafes	10
Fishmongers	6
Fish Fryers	8
Greengrocers	5
Grocers	13
General Stores	15
Public Houses and Hotels	28
Total:	104

(b) Premises registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act 1955:-

Manufacture of Sausages	12
Milk and Dairies	17
Manufacture of Ice Cream	-
Sale of Ice Cream	44
(In every case this is sold from wrapped cartons or containers. There is no sale of loose ice cream from Registered Premises.)	

Frequent visits are made to all shops where food is stored, or for sale. These premises are found to be kept in a clean condition and comply with the regulations.

2. BAKEHOUSES

There are 5 bakehouses in operation and frequent inspections are made. All premises are kept in a clean condition. Gradually the baking of bread is ceasing throughout the Borough owing to the packed and cut loaves now being placed on the market by factory bakehouses.

3. FOOD INSPECTION

There were 106 inspections in respect of Food Inspections and for purposes of food hygiene. All traders handling foodstuffs have responded to the Food Hygiene Regulations. Some difficulty has been experienced in some of the older premises owing to the congested conditions, only a small space being available for installing the necessary appliances, but in all cases this difficulty has been overcome.

4. FOODSTUFFS CONDEMNED DURING 1960

MEAT

Imported Kidneys	5 lbs.
Mild cured Bacon	16½ lbs.

MEAT (TINNED)

Cooked Ham	1 lb.
Chopped Pork	4 lbs.
Luncheon Meat	13 tins
Corned Beef	42 lbs.
Beef Steak Pudding	1 tin
Jellied Veal	36 lbs.
Shoulder Ham	27 lbs.
Irish Stew	16 ozs.
Pork Loins	7 lbs.
Minced Beef Loaf	20 tins

FISH

Kipper Fillets	9 lbs.
Prawns	60 lbs.
Pilchards	1 tin

MISCELLANEOUS

Jam	43 lbs.
Soup	7 tins
Jellies	4 pkts.
Baked Beans	1 tin
Biscuits	24 lbs.
Shredded Wheat	1 pkt.
Marmalade	2 lbs.
Pickles	1 jar
Peas	6 tins
Cheese Spread	7 jars
Cake	23 lbs.
Margarine	$\frac{1}{2}$ lb.
Tomato Puree	24 tins
Milk	10 tins

FRUIT

Peaches	145 tins
Pineapple	24 tins
Apricots	1 tin
Victoria Plums	1 tin

All condemned foodstuffs are disposed of by burying on the Controlled Tips, chloride of lime being used if necessary.

5. MEAT INSPECTION

With the closure of all Slaughter Houses in the Borough, killings have ceased and as a result there have been no inspections of carcasses in Slaughter Houses.

SECTION F

NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES

1960 was an exceptionally good year in respect of notifiable infectious diseases.

There was one notification of Poliomyelitis but ~~un~~fortunately this was not confirmed in hospital.

The incidence of Respiratory Tuberculosis is about the same as in previous years.

During the year there were no cases of Food Poisoning or Typhoid infections notified, and only one of Dysentery.

The increase of notifications of Puerperal Pyrexia is apparent rather than real. Since the introduction of antibiotics the conditions required before notification have been amended. Furthermore as the number of Confinements taking place in the Borough is considerably increased since the opening of the Maternity Unit, an increase in Puerperal Pyrexia is not unexpected.

TABLE VII

TUBERCULOSIS

New Cases & Mortality during 1960

	New Cases Notified during year						Deaths during year					
	Pulmonary		Meninges & C.N.S.		Other		Pulmonary		Meninges & C.N.S.		Other	
AGE	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0 - 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 15	1	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 35	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 45	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
45 - 55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 65	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
65 & over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL:	4	3	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-

TABLE VIII.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (Other than Tuberculosis) during the year 1960

TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED

	AGE IN YEARS								Age un- known	TOTAL
	0-1	1-2	3-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65-	
Scarlet fever	-	3	4	2	3	-	-	-	-	12
Whooping Cough	-	-	2	5	1	-	-	-	-	8
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Non-Paralytic	-	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	6
Measles	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Dysentery	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	1	1	1	-	-	2	-	1	2	8
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
post-infectious	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
infective	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric or Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	4
Feurperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmic Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Hepatitis	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1

TABLE IX.

MONTHLY NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES DURING 1960

Disease	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Scarlet Fever	-	4	2	1	5	-	2	-	3	1	2	-	12
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Non-paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Measles	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	2	2	1	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	8
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Encephalitis, Infective	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Encephalitis, Post-infectious	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric or Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis, Respiratory	1	-	-	2	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	7
" Meninges and C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
" Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	4
Ophthalmic Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Hepatitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1

TABLE X

INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND TUBERCULOSIS CASES NOTIFIED DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

(Figures in parenthesis indicate the Number of Deaths during each year)

	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960
Scarlet Fever	5(0)	73(0)	29(0)	2(0)	3(0)	1(0)	1(0)	11(0)	16(0)	12(0)
Whooping Cough	24(0)	-	57(0)	4(0)	33(0)	45(0)	40(0)	2(0)	-(0)	8(0)
Acute Poliomyelitis										
Paralytic	1(1)	-	2(1)	1(0)	5(0)	-	-	2(0)	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis										
Non-paralytic	-	-	-	-	2(0)	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	91(0)	242(0)	80(0)	180(0)	79(0)	9(0)	263(0)	239(0)	75(0)	1(0)
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	2(0)	1(0)	4(0)	14(0)	-	1(0)	1(0)	2(0)	1(0)	1(0)
Meningococcal Infection	2(0)	-	-	6(0)	1(0)	2(0)	1(1)	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	2(0)	-	6(4)	1(2)	8(1)	2(9)	4(1)	5(2)	2(5)	8(1)
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Encephalitis										
Infective	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1(0)	1(0)	-
Acute Encephalitis										
Post-infectious	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric or Typhoid Fever	-	1(0)	2(0)	3(0)	1(0)	-	1(0)	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	1(0)	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelae	-	3(0)	4(0)	4(0)	3(0)	1(0)	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	2(0)	5(0)	-	2(0)	7(0)	2(0)	9(0)	-
Tuberculosis, Respiratory	8(5)	9(3)	14(0)	6(0)	13(2)	4(0)	6(1)	12(2)	10(1)	7(2)
" Meninges and C.N.S.	1(0)	-	-	-	-(1)	-	-	-	-	-
" Other	4(1)	4(0)	-	2(0)	3(0)	1(0)	2(0)	1(1)	2(0)	1(0)
Puerperal Pyrexia	1(0)	1(0)	1(0)	-	-	1(0)	2(0)	-	3(0)	4(0)
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Hepatitis	7(0)	1(0)	12(0)	101(0)	1(0)	2(0)	2(0)	-	-	1(0)